

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The specification has been amended to add section headings and a cross-reference to the related applications to which priority is claimed in the present case.

Claims 1-31 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-27 and 29-30 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies so as to reduce the government filing fees associated with this case and to render their language more appropriate for U.S. practice. Claims 26 and 29, originally written as "use" claims, have been converted to method claims. These amendments are all entirely supported by the original application and thus no new matter has been added thereby.

Applicants attach hereto a paper copy of the Sequence Listing in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.821, a computer diskette containing a copy of the Sequence Listing in computer readable form and a Statement in Accordance With 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f). Applicants have hereinabove amended the specification to add the attached Sequence Listing as pages 51A-51L into the subject application. Applicants maintain that the amendments to the specification also contain no new matter and respectfully request that this Preliminary Amendment be entered.

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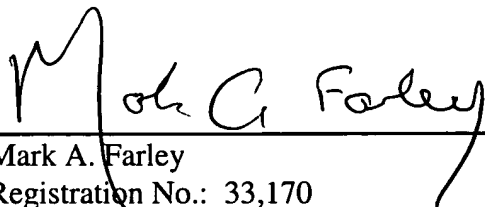
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